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**SHATTUCKS TO HUNT  
BURGLAR IN EUROPE**  
Sail to Enlist Scotland  
Yard and Paris Police in  
Search for Ex Butler.  
**CRIME GRIST GROWS**  
Banton Hits Record Mark  
With 54 Cases Disposed  
Of in Security Drive.

**LOWER TRIBUNALS BUSY**  
Prisoners Held for Holdups,  
Killings and Other  
Offenses.  
Albert R. Shattuck, retired banker,  
of 19 Washington Square North, and  
Mrs. Shattuck sailed for Europe Sat-  
urday to enlist the aid of Scotland  
Yard and of the French police in run-  
ning down the leader of the band  
which recently attacked them in their  
home and stole \$70,000 in jewelry.  
The departure of the couple, which  
was made in secrecy, became known  
yesterday. Physicians of the family  
said that another reason for their  
going away was to try to recover from  
the shock and ordeal of having been un-  
expectedly locked in a vault for  
several hours on the day of the rob-  
bery, April 2.  
The leader of the gang is supposed to  
be Henry Holat, former butler in the  
Shattuck home. The banker believes  
this man "double crossed" the others  
and fled abroad immediately after the  
crime with the entire lot of stolen  
goods.  
Holat is thought to have plotted the  
robbery while in France and to have  
come to this country with confederates  
to carry it out. Two of the band,  
Eugene Diast and Mose Bagnoli, have  
pleaded guilty.  
New York detectives have been seek-  
ing in French colonies of various cities  
for the missing man. They feel con-  
vinced that he has returned to France.  
**Holdup Suspects Remanded.**  
Eight men arrested Monday night in  
an apartment in West 134th Street as  
suspects in a series of holdups were  
committed to Harlem prison by Magis-  
trate Ryttenberg in Harlem Court for  
examination to-morrow.  
The prisoners are Frank Drago,  
Lawrence Ziffardi, Thomas Lowry,  
Richard Lubby, Jacob Wolf, John Car-  
son, Salvatore Marra and William Lee.  
Most of them are in Harlem.  
Gerald Cronin of 408 East Seventy-  
eighth Street and James Judge of 312  
West Forty-ninth Street were held  
with Holat by Magistrate Levine in  
West Side Court for the killing of John  
Gerard, drug clerk, of 367 West Fif-  
tieth Street.  
Magistrate Nolan, in Jefferson Market  
Court, held without bail James Lynch of  
321 West Seventy-ninth Street, James  
Russell of North Bergen, N. J., in con-  
nection with the killing of Daniel  
Murphy, a truck driver of 584 Wash-  
ington Street.  
Lillian Skolnick and Beale Klinger of  
59 Delmonico place, Brooklyn, were  
held on \$500 bail each in Bridge Plaza  
Court on a charge of attacking Mrs.  
Anna Koff of the same address and rob-  
bing her of a \$200 lavalliere.  
Max Frazer of 321 West Twenty-ninth  
Street, charged with implication in the  
robbery of the fur shop of Paul Kurtze,  
141 West Twenty-eighth Street, was  
held on \$200,000 bail by Magistrate Nolan  
in Jefferson Market Court. Three other  
men are under arrest for the crime.

**Good Day's Court Record.**  
A total of fifty-four cases were dis-  
posed of yesterday in eleven criminal  
courts in New York city. This is the  
highest mark reached since District At-  
torney Banton opened his drive on crime  
Monday a week ago. There were thirty-  
five pleas of guilty; seven convictions  
and twelve sentences.  
It took a jury before Judge Mulqueen  
only fifteen minutes to return a verdict  
of first degree robbery as a second  
offense against Harry Testa, 24, of 330  
East 109th Street. He will be sentenced  
Friday and may get forty years' im-  
prisonment.  
Justice Finch in the Supreme Court  
strongly criticized the giving of sus-  
pended sentences and declared peniten-  
tary terms more beneficial both to the  
community and the young criminal con-  
victed for the first time.  
Judge McIntyre imposed sentences in  
two homicide cases. Raymond Lyons,  
23, 187 Seventh Street, got ten to twenty  
years for shooting Michael Renner, 25,  
of 184 Avenue C, on March 15; George  
Washington Holke, 24, 235 East 127th  
Street, a negro, got seven to twenty  
years for the murder of George Dole of  
231 East 127th Street, July 1919.  
Among other cases disposed of were  
the following: James Williams, 27, of  
12 West 123rd Street, negro, sentenced to  
five years by Judge Rosalesky upon ad-  
mission of burglary; John Morn, 22,  
of 212 East Thirty-ninth Street, was  
sentenced to ten years by Judge Mulqueen  
for robbery; Harry B. Morganstein,  
19, 187 Norfolk Street, robbery;  
Justice Finch.

**POLICE PARADE MAY 13;  
MEDAL LIST ANNOUNCED**  
Mayor to Confer Awards at  
Reviewing Stand.  
It was announced last night at Police  
Headquarters that the police parade,  
which was postponed because of the  
crime wave, will be held on May 13.  
During the parade Mayor John F. Hy-  
lan, at the reviewing stand, will confer  
decorations and awards upon many  
members of the uniformed and detective  
forces for particularly meritorious and  
heroic acts during the past year.  
Among the detectives to be rewarded  
are acting Sergeant Michael Flisabeth  
and other members of the Italian squad  
for their work in the Varotta kidnaping  
case; Detective William Seckinger, who  
killed an armed criminal known as the  
"Masonic Burglar" in Brooklyn early  
this year, and Detective Randall J. Mc-  
Quigley and Timothy J. Connelley, who  
more recently secured a small but val-  
uable clue in a case at 880 Tenison  
avenue last December. The detective  
killed one of the bandits and wounded  
the other.

**Police Musical Squad,  
200 Strong, Announced**  
POLICE COMMISSIONER EN-  
RIGHT announced yesterday  
that he had announced that  
the Police Club and the Police  
Band into one company, to be  
known as the Musical Company of  
the Police Department. There will  
be 100 voices in the club and 100  
pieces in the band.  
Detective Sergeant Patrick G.  
Pittsburgh has been named as head  
of the new company, with the rank  
of acting lieutenant. Both the  
singing and playing organizations  
will be conducted as heretofore, ex-  
cept that they will be under one  
head.

**NURSE WHO SUED  
MRS. HEWITT HELD**  
Theft of Diamond Ring Here  
Laid to Miss Kelly After Re-  
turn From Paris.  
Miss Elizabeth Kelly, the nurse who  
created a sensation in Paris last month  
by bringing a suit for defamation of  
character against Mrs. Peter Cooper  
Hewitt growing out of the illness and  
death of the latter's husband, and now  
living at 320 West Forty-fifth Street,  
was held in \$5,000 bail on a charge of  
grand larceny yesterday by Magistrate  
Max S. Levine in the West Side Court.  
Miss Kelly nursed Mr. Hewitt during  
his last illness.  
The woman is charged with having  
stolen a diamond ring valued at \$500  
from the home of David D. Lamont,  
banker, at 120 West Sixty-second  
Street, on December 25, 1918, while em-  
ployed there as a nurse. Mr. Lamont  
recovered the property only recently.  
Detective James J. Farley arrested  
Miss Kelly in an undertaking establish-  
ment yesterday while she was arranging  
for the removal of the body of her  
mother from a vault in Calvary Ceme-  
tery to Canada. The mother of the nurse,  
Mrs. Hewitt Kelly, died four weeks ago  
in a nursing home at 304 West Forty-  
sixth Street.  
At that time the daughter, who was  
in Paris, started for this country, ar-  
riving on La Touraine on Monday, April  
17.  
Miss Kelly is charged with having  
painted the ring and turned the ticket  
over to Helen S. Amend of 127  
East Forty-sixth Street as a security  
for a cash loan. Mrs. Amend is in no  
way involved in the transaction.  
Mr. Lamont said last night that he  
had recovered the ring through Mrs.  
Amend by paying the amount due her  
and the pawnshop. He substantiated the  
charges made in the short affidavit that  
Miss Kelly was employed in his home  
as a nurse and discharged on Christ-  
mas Day in 1918. He said other also  
would appear to-morrow to push the  
charges against Miss Kelly.  
"This is a frame up," Detective Far-  
ley said. Miss Kelly declared when told  
of the allegations. He said she ad-  
mitted having been employed by Mr.  
Lamont and other well known families  
here during the last five years.  
Detective Farley told Magistrate Le-  
vine that the case was incomplete and  
that he wished to locate other "impor-  
tant witnesses." Miss Kelly was at-  
tired, nervous and was not repre-  
sented by counsel. She did not speak  
while in court.  
Mrs. Hewitt came back to this country  
on the Aquitania on April 17 and re-  
ported to her husband on the same vessel.  
While here she refused to make any  
comment on the action brought by Miss  
Kelly, who alleges Mrs. Hewitt tried to  
have her railroaded out of France be-  
cause of her claims that certain dis-  
crepancies in the short affidavit that  
Miss Kelly was employed in his home  
as a nurse and discharged on Christ-  
mas Day in 1918. He said other also  
would appear to-morrow to push the  
charges against Miss Kelly.  
Up to a late hour last night Miss  
Kelly was in Jefferson Market prison,  
unable to obtain bail.

**BLUE SKY MAIL BILL  
REPORTED TO HOUSE**  
Measure Is Designed to Check  
Stock Frauds.  
Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
Washington, D. C., April 25.  
The Committee on Interstate and For-  
eign Commerce to-day reported to the  
House the Debuson "blue sky" bill, which  
prevents use of the mails and other  
agencies for promoting or procuring the  
sale of securities contrary to the laws  
of the States.  
Several representatives in discussion  
of the bill quoted freely from THE NEW  
YORK HERALD's articles showing con-  
ditions in New York. A vote on the mea-  
sure probably will be reached to-morrow,  
when it is likely to be passed with little  
opposition.  
Representative Denison (Ill.), in ex-  
plaining the provisions of the bill said  
it was intended to protect the poor peo-  
ple of the country who have no knowl-  
edge of the value of stock and bonds and  
cannot discriminate between good and  
bad ones.  
"Five hundred million dollars of the  
people's money is being lost each year  
by the sale of fraudulent stocks," he  
said. "It is the poor people's savings  
that are being invaded. The bill does  
not interfere with operations of legiti-  
mate companies. It will not affect the  
operations of any stock exchange in the  
United States."  
**RANDALL FACES NEW  
COMPLAINT OF FRAUD**  
Rochester Police Wire About  
Second Charge There.  
David B. Randall, stock broker of 32  
Broadway, at liberty under bail on a  
larceny charge here, was arrested to-  
day at the request of the Rochester  
police on a charge of grand larceny in  
that city.  
The latest complaint against Ran-  
dall, who lives at 927 Greene Avenue,  
Brooklyn, is Henry Brown, a customer  
of the broker's Rochester office, who  
alleges Randall misappropriated securi-  
ties valued at \$13,622 on February 18  
last.  
Magistrate Simpson in Tombs Court  
committed him to the Tombs to await  
examination to-day. J. M. Quigley,  
chief of police of Rochester, who wired  
the police here for Randall's arrest,  
said the District Attorney of that city  
was anxious to have Randall returned  
to his jurisdiction.  
The stock brokerage house of M. E.  
and J. W. De Aguiro, 66 Broadway,  
which was one of the first concerns to  
be forced into bankruptcy during the  
height of the recent Wall Street  
disclosures, yesterday was announced  
as solvent.  
A schedule in bankruptcy made pub-  
lic for the members of the firm, Louis  
Green, David Goldman and Miguel E.  
De Aguiro, stated that liabilities were  
\$63,315 and assets \$77,931. Attorneys  
for the petitioning creditors are Baker  
& Ahernmeier, 33 Nassau Street.

**LASKER'S CHALLENGE  
STUNS BRITISH LINE**  
Lampart & Holt Send Pro-  
test to Him Against  
Rate War Policy.  
COUNTER CUTS IN AIR  
Munson Sees Big Increase  
in Tourist Travel to  
South America.  
DIFFERENTIALS AT ISSUE  
Foreign Ship Agents Do Not  
Look for Transatlantic  
Battle for Traffic.

The Lampart & Holt Line will meet  
the Munson Line's latest reductions of  
passenger rates between New York and  
Rio de Janeiro, Montevideo and Buenos  
Aires, informed today of the shipping  
world believe. Lampart & Holt issued  
no statement on that question yester-  
day, but answered the challenge of  
Chairman Lasker of the Shipping  
Board that "our hat is in the ring and  
we are going to stick as long as neces-  
sary to insure the dominance of Ameri-  
can flag ships between North and  
South America."  
The officials of the Lampart & Holt  
Line call attention to the doubling of  
the tonnage in the South American  
trade by the Shipping Board's new  
steamers faster than those of the Brit-  
ish company, and say:  
"The present situation is a natural  
development. Suppose the Shipping  
Board did the same thing in the trans-  
atlantic trade, by putting on a dozen or  
so of steamers several knots faster  
than the Mauretania, and that in con-  
sequence all the steamers sailed with  
four-fifths of their accommodations val-  
ant. The loss would be colossal, just  
as it is in the South American trade."  
Mr. Lasker refers to the Lampart &  
Holt steamers as "inferior" as against  
the "exquisite and wonderful" steamers  
of the Shipping Board. In our opinion  
the inferiority is in speed only. The  
reference to rates from port to port be-  
ing uniform is erroneous, it being well  
known that slower steamers take lower  
fares.

**British Line States Position.**  
David Cook, American representative  
of the Lampart & Holt Line, sent this  
telegraphic message to Chairman Lasker  
yesterday:  
"Prompted by the fairness of your  
public utterances that have come to our  
notice in the past we desire to answer  
the statements attributed to you in the  
day's press. With regard to what is de-  
scribed therein as an unfriendly attitude  
towards the Shipping Board's new  
South American service we would  
draw your attention to the fact that  
our agency, the Munson Line, had  
twenty-four hours advance information  
of what had happened, and our service  
for our passengers is of the highest  
quality. You will recognize that the principle  
of a differential for slower steamers is  
well established in all trades and is  
practically universal. The slower steamers  
in other trades and we are only asking  
to be put on the same basis. Nothing  
is further from the fact that we desire  
(even if it were possible) to cripple the  
American service. The floor was cov-  
ered by the manner in which we  
have at all times cooperated with your  
agency.  
"Your quoted statement to the effect  
that we were not prepared to adjust our  
rates was about to be made in incorrect  
—we had no means of ascertaining what  
was in the mind of the Shipping Board  
in this regard. It has been stated by  
you and others that we are withdrawing  
certain of our steamers to engage in  
more profitable trade and that if it  
were not for American steamers there  
would be no passenger service from  
New York to South America. Permit us to  
say this is putting off before cause.  
"The South American berth has been  
so overbooked that there is no need  
to withdraw a number of our steamers to  
make useless voyages. You will be aware that  
80 per cent. of all the passenger accom-  
modations offered in this trade both by  
Government steamers and our own are  
taken up by tourists. We never have had  
and do not seek any rate war, our desire  
being to cooperate on any fair basis  
with your board."

**Standard Oil Sells  
GASOLINE PRICES UP**  
General Increases of One and  
Two Cents Announced.  
A general advance in gasoline prices  
was announced yesterday by Standard  
Oil companies in various parts of the  
country. The Standard Oil Company of  
New York raised its price one cent a  
gallon, making the tank wagon price in  
its territory 26 cents a gallon. V. M. P.  
naphtha was advanced one cent to 25  
cents a gallon.  
The Standard Oil Company of New  
Jersey increased the price of gasoline in  
New Jersey one cent a gallon to 25  
cents and in North and South Carolina  
two cents a gallon. In West Virginia  
and Maryland the price was advanced  
one and two cents, depending on the  
section. In North Carolina the company  
advanced the price of kerosene 2 cents  
a gallon and in South Carolina 1 cent.  
The Standard Oil Company of Louisiana  
and other refineries in that  
part of the country, according to  
Shreveport dispatches, increased local  
gasoline prices one cent a gallon to 26  
cents tank wagon and 22 cents filling  
station schedules.  
**MR. "SODA FOUNTAIN'S" APPEAL**  
Lieutenants Hurlstanz and  
Is Accused of Arson.  
LOS ANGELES, April 25.—A long court  
record is expected to be completed soon  
with a decision in the appeal of a Stan-  
eese referred to by tired court clerks with  
writers' cramp as "Mr. Soda Fountain,"  
who is charged with arson. His cor-  
rect name is Lieutenants Hurlstanz and  
Is Accused of Arson.

**5150,000 HAUL BY BANDITS.**  
BALTIMORE, April 25.—Two hold up  
men stopped Max Berenstein, a jewelry  
broker, near his home in East Balti-  
more today, knocked him down with a  
blow from a pistol butt and snatched a  
case holding diamonds and jewelry,  
which Berenstein declared to be worth  
\$150,000, from his hands and fled.

**HER BEAUTY SPOILED;  
ASKS \$25,000 IN SUIT**  
Operation to Remove Wrin-  
kles Ruined Face, She Says.  
Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
ATLANTIC CITY, April 25.—Miss Mary  
Edwards, 2111 Honeywell Avenue, New  
York, an artist's model, has brought suit  
to collect \$25,000 damages from Charles  
W. Holden, proprietor of a beauty par-  
lor in this city, alleging that her beauty  
of face and profile has been ruined and  
her occupation as an actress and model  
blighted.  
Miss Edwards, known under her stage  
name of May Edwards, and a member  
of the Ziegfeld Follies in 1917, in her  
complaint alleges that Holden guaran-  
teed to remove a "small line or wrinkle  
from her face, beneath the eye." She  
submitted to the operation in September,  
1920, and charges that plaintiff's face  
immediately afterwards became inflamed  
and ever since has been swollen, inflamed  
and discolored, and she has suffered in-  
tense physical pain and mental anguish.  
The defendant, several months ago,  
was arrested by Federal authorities  
charged with being ringleader in a smug-  
gling plot.

**DISABLED VETERANS SEE  
THE CIRCUS AND LIKE IT**  
Joyfully Pound Floor With  
Crutches and Wooden Legs.  
Two hundred disabled war veterans,  
who looped the loop in France four  
years ago when Uncle Sam, John Bull  
and Polli Brothers' Greatest Show on  
Earth was going big guns along the  
western front, saw the world's second  
greatest circus yesterday at Madison  
Square Garden—42nd Street. The bet-  
ter Crutches and wooden legs pounding the  
floor told that story.  
Sitting on a bench and watching Lil-  
lian Leitch skip the cat on a trapeze  
was more fun than sitting in a fox hole  
and watch Boche planes drop chunks of  
TNT on the landscape.  
The 200 veterans were guests of Ring-  
ling Bros. They are the last of the  
old guard that once filled a dozen New  
York hospitals—all that are left who  
could make the grade in the motor  
buses provided by the Knights of Co-  
lumbus. They came from St. John,  
Hudson Street, Reconstruction, Fox Hills  
and Brooklyn Naval hospitals.

**\$87.50 YEAR TOO LITTLE  
TO DRESS WORKING GIRL**  
Kansas Court Boosts Minimum  
Wage 17.6 Per Cent.  
Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD.  
TOPEKA, April 25.—The Industrial  
Court to-day awarded the \$87.50 clothing  
budget for the working girl, and in a  
tentative order directed an average in-  
crease of 17.6 per cent. in minimum  
wages for girls and women in certain  
occupations.  
The court refused seriously to con-  
sider testimony offered showing that  
where a woman made an effort to do so  
she might live with a budget of \$87.50  
a year for clothing.  
The temporary award holds that ex-  
isting minimum wages are too low and  
a general increase is made averaging  
17.6 per cent for beginners in industries  
affected.  
Minimum wages for workers in laun-  
dries are increased from \$5.50 to \$11 a  
week, and in mercantile establishments  
from \$4.50 to \$10.50. No change is  
made in the present \$11 minimum in  
manufacturing plants.  
**CAT IS RESCUED AFTER  
LONG FIGHT WITH RATS**  
Mollie So Busy Killing Them  
She Has No Time to Eat.  
Mollie, a black and white cat of ordi-  
nary lineage, but great courage, was re-  
leased yesterday by the Society for the  
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals after  
she had been imprisoned for two weeks  
in a cellar at 306 Washington Street,  
Brooklyn.  
There was a restaurant at that address  
and Mollie belonged to it, but when the  
restaurant closed the owner forgot the  
cat and looked her in the cellar. She  
had nothing to eat but rats, but there  
were so many rats that she had to fight  
them constantly. The floor was cov-  
ered with them when the agents of the S. P. C. A. lifted the grating.  
The cat will be kept for two weeks by  
the Society, and if she does not claim  
them she will be destroyed.

**AERIAL BRIDAL PAIR  
HONEYMOON BY PLANE**  
Mr. and Mrs. Schlafke Make  
Flight to Albany.  
Mr. and Mrs. Albert P. Schlafke, who  
were married above the clouds in an  
airplane by Lieut. Belvin W. Maynard,  
while the ceremony was heard on the  
ground via radio, left Mineola yesterday  
afternoon for Albany in the same plane.  
Bert Acosta was the pilot.  
After greeting the Mayor at Albany  
the couple planned to take train and go  
home, but they decided to spend the  
weekend in Albany.

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**DIER MEN SHIELDED  
FROM PROSECUTION**  
Bankruptcy Law Acts to  
Keep Evidence Away  
From Banton.  
VICTIMS WANT ACTION  
They Have Received Noth-  
ing But Promises in Three  
Months of Inquiry.

**MANY LOSE ALL SAVINGS**  
Damaging Testimony Re-  
called to Show How Great  
Sums Were Squandered.  
District Attorney Banton admitted  
yesterday that complaints by creditors  
of E. D. Dier & Co., brokerage house,  
which failed last January for nearly  
\$4,000,000, warranted a searching in-  
quiry by his office, but said his hands  
were tied since the Dier books are kept  
from him by technicalities of the law.  
The books are in the hands of Man-  
fred W. Ehrlich, receiver appointed by  
Judge Julian W. Mack, and efforts to  
obtain them have been frustrated in  
the United States District Court. In  
the books is the story of the expendi-  
tures of members of the firm, of the  
lavish "withdrawals" they made, and  
other interesting data, according to  
the belief of the District Attorney.  
More than three months ago E. D.  
Dier & Co. closed its doors, one of the  
largest of the many brokers to go under  
in the period of the bucket shop dis-  
closures. With approximately 10,000  
customers in all parts of the country,  
the firm had squandered more than  
\$1,000,000 annually in big salaries, ac-  
cording to testimony before the receiver.

**Creditors Get Promises Only.**  
So far all the customers have had  
as vague promises, an "offer" of a  
"contribution fund" of some half a  
million dollars by the principals in the  
future, and several interesting but non-  
productive hearings at which Elmore D.  
Dier, head of the insolvent firm, has  
been questioned. The next one of these  
hearings will take place in the office  
of Seaman Miller, referee, 2 Rector  
Street, on May 2, when Dier again will  
be asked to tell of various transactions,  
the buying of elaborate jewelry, and  
expensive furs and motors for his wife,  
and other incidents.  
Creditors of the house have organized  
and have sought some indication of how  
much they may expect to receive from  
the crash. All of the principals in the  
case, Dier, Col. Henry D. Hughes, his  
former partner; Fred Andrews, Shrim-  
pton, and other well known names, have  
each been innocent of any part in irregu-  
lar dealings.  
Although attorneys and the receiver  
have made it clear that they have no  
claim on Charles A. Stoneham, who sold  
his entire business to E. D. Dier & Co.  
not more than six months before the  
crash, he has offered to contribute \$200,-  
000 "from a moral standpoint," as his  
attorneys have put it.  
Nevertheless affidavits that representa-  
tives of Dier & Co., as well as several  
other defunct brokerages, stated to their  
customers that Mr. Stoneham was the  
silent partner and was backing their  
concern, have been compiled by attor-  
neys for a number of the creditors.  
**Assured by Stoneham's Name.**  
These affidavits say that when the  
customers whose accounts had been  
turned over to Dier & Co. became un-  
easy representatives of the Dier concern  
assured them that Mr. Stoneham was  
the "man behind the scenes" and would  
back the concern with his "millions."  
The customers, completely reassured,  
in many cases absolved to the Dier agent  
for ever having doubted the financial  
stability of the concern and were told  
to keep the matter about Mr. Stoneham  
a secret, as "it is not generally known."  
Now, after three months of talk,  
Dier, after having admitted the finan-  
cial promises and investigations, the Dier  
creditors are demanding monetary retri-  
bution from every one connected with  
the firm and want the District Attorney  
to start criminal prosecution. The at-  
torney for the receiver says they are  
anxious to get the books to put the  
guilty ones behind the bars. Just now  
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